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REMARKS

Prior to this amendment, claims 1-22, 24-29, 31-33 and 37-43 were pending in the present application. Claims 23, 30 and 34-36 had been canceled; and claim 44 had been withdrawn.

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed November 4, 2005, and the Advisory Action mailed February 17, 2006. Claims 40-43 were allowed; claims 6, 7, 19, 20 and 31-33 had been objected to; and claims 1-5, 8-18, 21, 22, 24-29 and 37-39 had been rejected.

No new matter has been added by this amendment.

Election/Restrictions

The Examiner had stated that claim 44 was directed to an invention that was independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed. Claim 44 was withdrawn from further consideration in this patent application.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-5, 8-18, 21, 22, 24-29 and 37-39 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by EP Patent No. 0 958 765 A2 to Feldotto.

Applicants have canceled claims 1-5, 8-18, 21, 22, 24-29 and 37-39 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 40-43 have been allowed.

Claims 6, 7, 19, 20 and 31-33, though objected to, were indicated allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants have amended claim 6 to now include all of the limitations of the base claim and all intervening claims on which it was dependent. Claims 6 is now believed allowable in its amended form.

Claim 7 is believed allowable at least for the reason that it depends from an allowable base claim. Reconsideration to that end is respectfully solicited.

Applicants have amended claim 19 to now include all of the limitations of the base claim and all intervening claims on which it was dependent. Claims 19 is now believed allowable in its amended form.

Claim 20 is believed allowable at least for the reason that it depends from an allowable base claim. Reconsideration to that end is respectfully solicited.

Applicants have amended claim 31 to now include all of the limitations of the base claim and all intervening claims on which it was dependent. Claims 31 is now believed allowable in its amended form.

Claim 32 and 33 are believed allowable at least for the reason that they depend from an allowable base claim. Reconsideration to that end is respectfully solicited.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, claims 6, 7, 19, 20, 31-33 and 40-43 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt passage of the application to allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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